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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Ritzdorf et al. )  
For: Semiconductor Plating System )  
Workpiece Support having )  
Workpiece Engaging Electrode )  
with Pre-Conditioned Contact Face )  
Serial No.: 08/940,686 )  
Filed: September 30, 1997 )  
Examiner: Leader, W. )  
Art Unit: 1741 )

**REQUEST FOR THREE MONTH EXTENSION**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

With reference to the Official Action dated June 23, 1999, the Applicants respectfully request a three month extension of the term for response, from the present term of September 23, 1999, up to a new term of December 23, 1999.

Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$870.00 to cover the fee for this three month extension. Should any additional fees be deemed necessary, the Commissioner is authorized to charge our Deposit Account No. 04-1644. The Commissioner is further authorized to credit our deposit account for any excess fee paid.

Respectfully submitted,

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